



Federal Emergency Management Agency

Washington, D.C. 20472

November 20, 2008

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The Honorable Yvonne B. Burke
Chair, Los Angeles County
Board of Supervisors
200 North Spring Street, Room 303
Los Angeles, CA 90012

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Case No.: 08-09-1755P
Community Name: Los Angeles County, CA
Community No.: 065043
Effective Date of
This Revision: **January 14, 2009**

Dear Ms. Burke:

The Flood Insurance Study report and Flood Insurance Rate Map for your community have been revised by this Letter of Map Revision (LOMR). Please use the enclosed annotated map panel(s) revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued in your community.

Additional documents are enclosed which provide information regarding this LOMR. Please see the List of Enclosures below to determine which documents are included. Other attachments specific to this request may be included as referenced in the Determination Document. If you have any questions regarding floodplain management regulations for your community or the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) in general, please contact the Consultation Coordination Officer for your community. If you have any technical questions regarding this LOMR, please contact the Director, Mitigation Division of the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in Oakland, California, at (510) 627-7175, or the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP). Additional information about the NFIP is available on our website at <http://www.fema.gov/nfip>.

Sincerely,

Joshua A. Smith, CFM, Program Specialist
Engineering Management Branch
Mitigation Directorate

For: William R. Blanton Jr., CFM, Chief
Engineering Management Branch
Mitigation Directorate

List of Enclosures:

Letter of Map Revision Determination Document
Annotated Flood Insurance Rate Map
Annotated Flood Insurance Study Report

cc: The Honorable Bob Kellar
Mayor, City of Santa Clarita

Mr. Ric Sun
Department of Public Works
Los Angeles County

Mr. Mark Pestrella
Assistant Deputy Director
Watershed Management Division
Los Angeles County



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LETTER OF MAP REVISION DETERMINATION DOCUMENT

COMMUNITY AND REVISION INFORMATION			PROJECT DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF REQUEST
COMMUNITY	Los Angeles County California (Incorporated Areas)		NO PROJECT	FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT UPDATE MAP UPDATE
	COMMUNITY NO.: 065043			
IDENTIFIER	Newhall Ranch and Castaic Junction		APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE: 34.407, -118.669 SOURCE: Other DATUM: NAD 83	
ANNOTATED MAPPING ENCLOSURES			ANNOTATED STUDY ENCLOSURES	
TYPE: FIRM* NO.: 06037C0800 F DATE: September 26, 2008 TYPE: FIRM NO.: 06037C0805 F DATE: September 26, 2008 TYPE: FIRM NO.: 06037C0815 F DATE: September 26, 2008			DATE OF EFFECTIVE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT: September 26, 2008 NEW PROFILE(S): 214P – 219P SUMMARY OF DISCHARGES TABLE: 7	

Enclosures reflect changes to flooding sources affected by this revision.

* FIRM - Flood Insurance Rate Map; ** FBFM - Flood Boundary and Floodway Map; *** FHBM - Flood Hazard Boundary Map

FLOODING SOURCE(S) & REVISED REACH(ES)

Santa Clara River – from just upstream of the Ventura County and Los Angeles County line to approximately 350 feet upstream of Interstate Highway 5

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

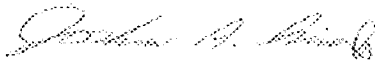
This Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) is an update to the FIS report and FIRM Panels 06037C0800 F, 06037C0805 F, and 06037C0815 F. The new FIRM and FIS report only partially incorporated a LOMR dated July 2, 2002 (Case No. 01-09-559P), which revised the Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs), the areas that would be inundated by the base (1-percent-annual-chance) flood, the Summary of Peak Discharges table, and BFEs*, along the Santa Clara River. This LOMR updates the FIS report and portions of the affected FIRM panels to entirely incorporate the July 2 LOMR, along the Santa Clara River, thereby superseding the September 26 FIRM panels for the revision area. This LOMR does not revise the SFHA boundaries, base flood discharges, or BFEs from the July 2 LOMR along this revised reach.

* BFEs - Base Flood Elevations

DETERMINATION

This document provides the determination from the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding a request for a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) for the area described above. Using the information submitted, we have determined that a revision to the flood hazards depicted in the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report and/or National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map is warranted. This document revises the effective NFIP map, as indicated in the attached documentation. Please use the enclosed annotated map panels revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals in your community.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMR Depot, 3601 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. Additional information about the NFIP is available on our website at <http://www.fema.gov/nfip>.


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**LETTER OF MAP REVISION
DETERMINATION DOCUMENT (CONTINUED)**

OTHER COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY THIS REVISION

CID Number: 060729

Name: City of Santa Clarita, California

AFFECTED MAP PANELS

TYPE: FIRM NO.: 06037C0815 F DATE: September 26, 2008

AFFECTED PORTIONS OF THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT

DATE OF EFFECTIVE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT:
September 26, 2008
NEW PROFILE(S): 219P
SUMMARY OF DISCHARGES TABLE: 7

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

APPLICABLE NFIP REGULATIONS/COMMUNITY OBLIGATION

We have made this determination pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) and in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP criteria. These criteria, including adoption of the FIS report and FIRM, and the modifications made by this LOMR, are the minimum requirements for continued NFIP participation and do not supersede more stringent State or local requirements to which the regulations apply.

COMMUNITY REMINDERS

We based this determination on the 1-percent-annual-chance flood discharges computed in the FIS for your community without considering subsequent changes in watershed characteristics that could increase flood discharges. Future development of projects upstream could cause increased flood discharges, which could cause increased flood hazards. A comprehensive restudy of your community's flood hazards would consider the cumulative effects of development on flood discharges subsequent to the publication of the FIS report for your community and could, therefore, establish greater flood hazards in this area.

Your community must regulate all proposed floodplain development and ensure that permits required by Federal and/or State law have been obtained. State or community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction or may limit development in floodplain areas. If your State or community has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, those criteria take precedence over the minimum NFIP requirements.

We will not print and distribute this LOMR to primary users, such as local insurance agents or mortgage lenders; instead, the community will serve as a repository for the new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information in this LOMR by preparing a news release for publication in your community's newspaper that describes the revision and explains how your community will provide the data and help interpret the NFIP maps. In that way, interested persons, such as property owners, insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, can benefit from the information.

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We have designated a Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) to assist your community. The CCO will be the primary liaison between your community and FEMA. For information regarding your CCO, please contact:

Ms. Sally M. Ziolkowski
Director, Mitigation Division
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region IX
1111 Broadway Street, Suite 1200
Oakland, CA 94607-4052
(510) 627-7175

STATUS OF THE COMMUNITY NFIP MAPS

We will not physically revise and republish the FIRM and FIS report for your community to reflect the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. When changes to the previously cited FIRM panel(s) and FIS report warrant physical revision and republication in the future, we will incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR at that time.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF REVISION

A notice of BFE changes for the July 2, 2002, LOMR was published in your local newspaper on July 18 and July 25, 2002, and a subsequent 90-day appeal period was provided. While this LOMR does not revise the SFHA delineations or BFEs from the July 2 LOMR, it does update the BFEs shown on the respective FIRM panels to reflect the appropriate BFEs, and updates the FIS Report to include the corresponding profile panels and summary of peak discharges table. We will not republish the BFE changes, however, a short notice will be published in your local newspaper on or about the dates listed below to describe the DFIRM and FIS update.

Within 30 days of the second publication in the local newspaper, a citizen may request that we reconsider this determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on knowledge of changed conditions or new scientific or technical data. Therefore, this letter will be effective only after the 30-day comment period has elapsed and we have resolved any comments that we receive during this period.

LOCAL NEWSPAPER

Name: *METROPOLITAN NEWS-ENTERPRISE*

Dates: 12/08/2008 12/15/2008

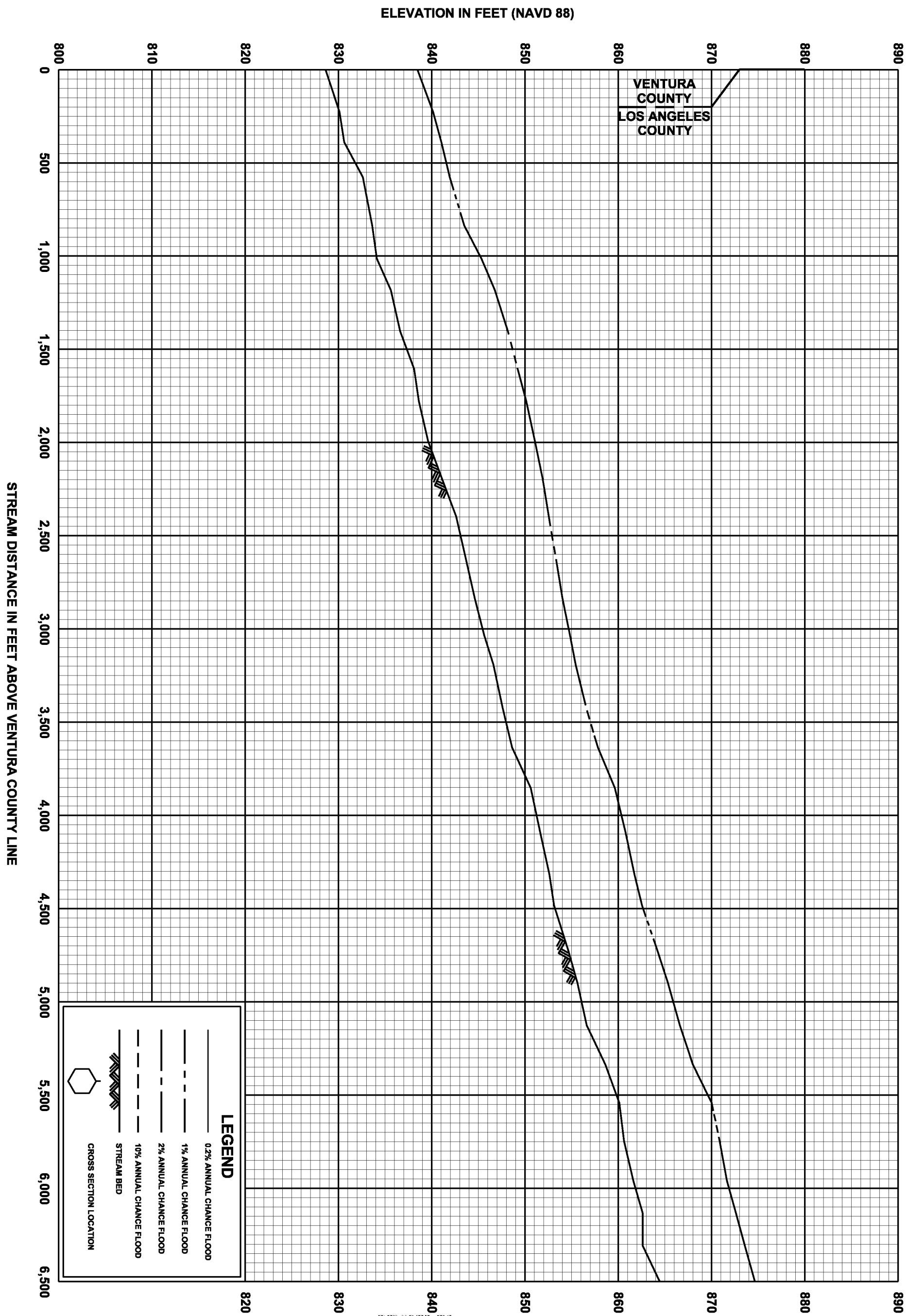
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Table 7 - SUMMARY OF PEAK DISCHARGES

Flooding Source and Location	Drainage Area (sq. mi.)	Peak Discharges (cfs)			
		<u>10-Percent-Annual-Chance</u>	<u>2-Percent-Annual-Chance</u>	<u>1-Percent-Annual-Chance</u>	<u>0.2-Percent-Annual-Chance</u>
Approximately 800 feet Upstream of Placerita Canyon Road	6.4	--	--	4,371	5,961
Sand Canyon Lateral					
At Robinson Ranch Road	0.9	--	--	1,480	--
Santa Clara River		REVISED TO REFLECT LOMR EFFECTIVE: January 14, 2009			
Approximately 2,600 feet Upstream of Los Angeles Aqueduct	235.4	--	--	15,182	26,369
At Sand Canyon Road	179.4	--	--	8,408	13,849
At Confluence With Castaic Creek	410.0	--	--	40,300	--
At Interstate Highway 5	640.0	--	--	60,000	--
Santa Clarita Valley					
Santa Clara River Approximately 3,500 feet Upstream of Arrastre Canyon Road	67.7	--	--	8,408	13,849
Santa Clara River 7,600 feet Upstream of Oak Springs Canyon	172.7	--	--	13,412	22,588
Santa Clara River at Sand Canyon Road	179.4	--	--	13,934	23,467



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FLOOD PROFILES

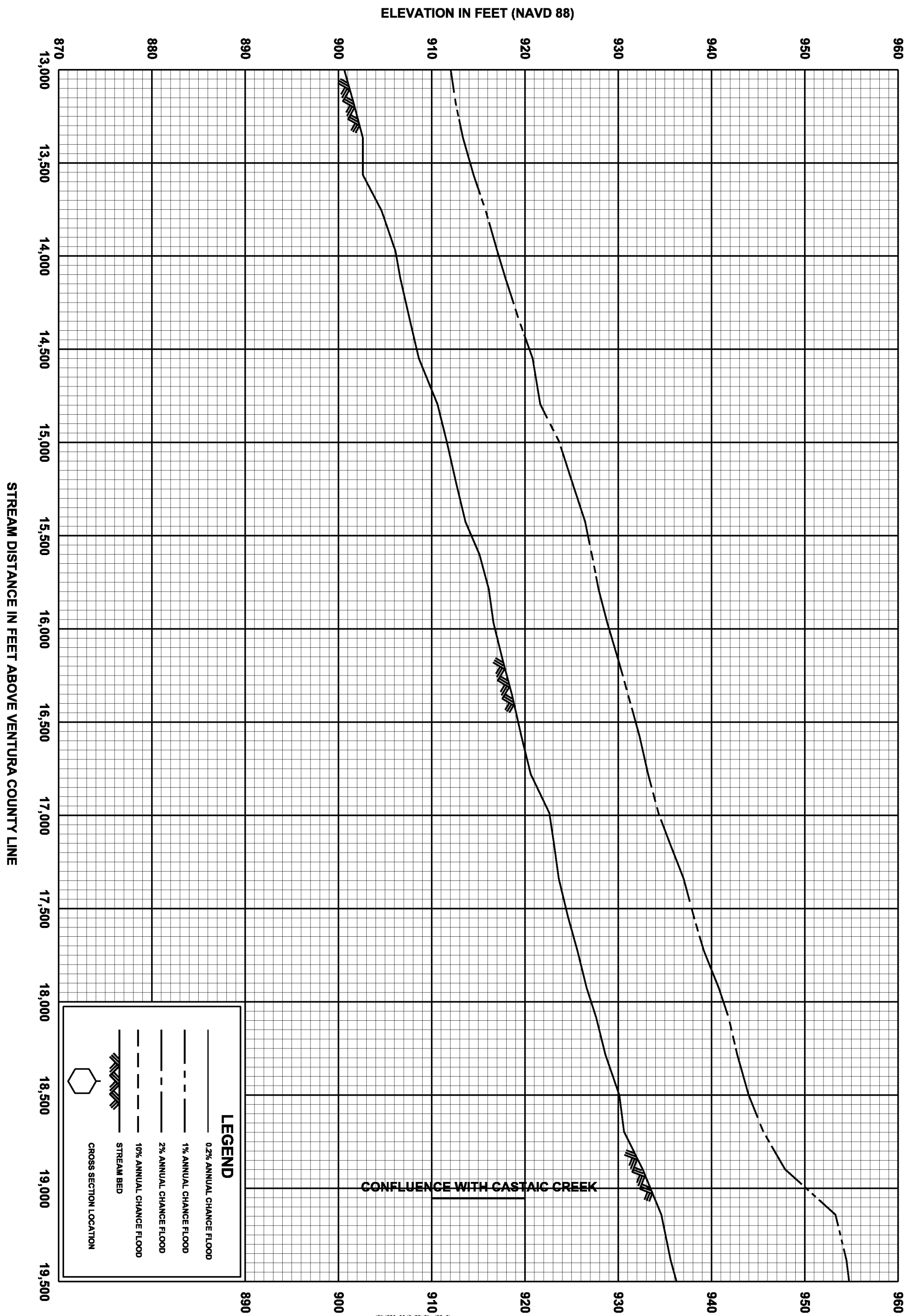
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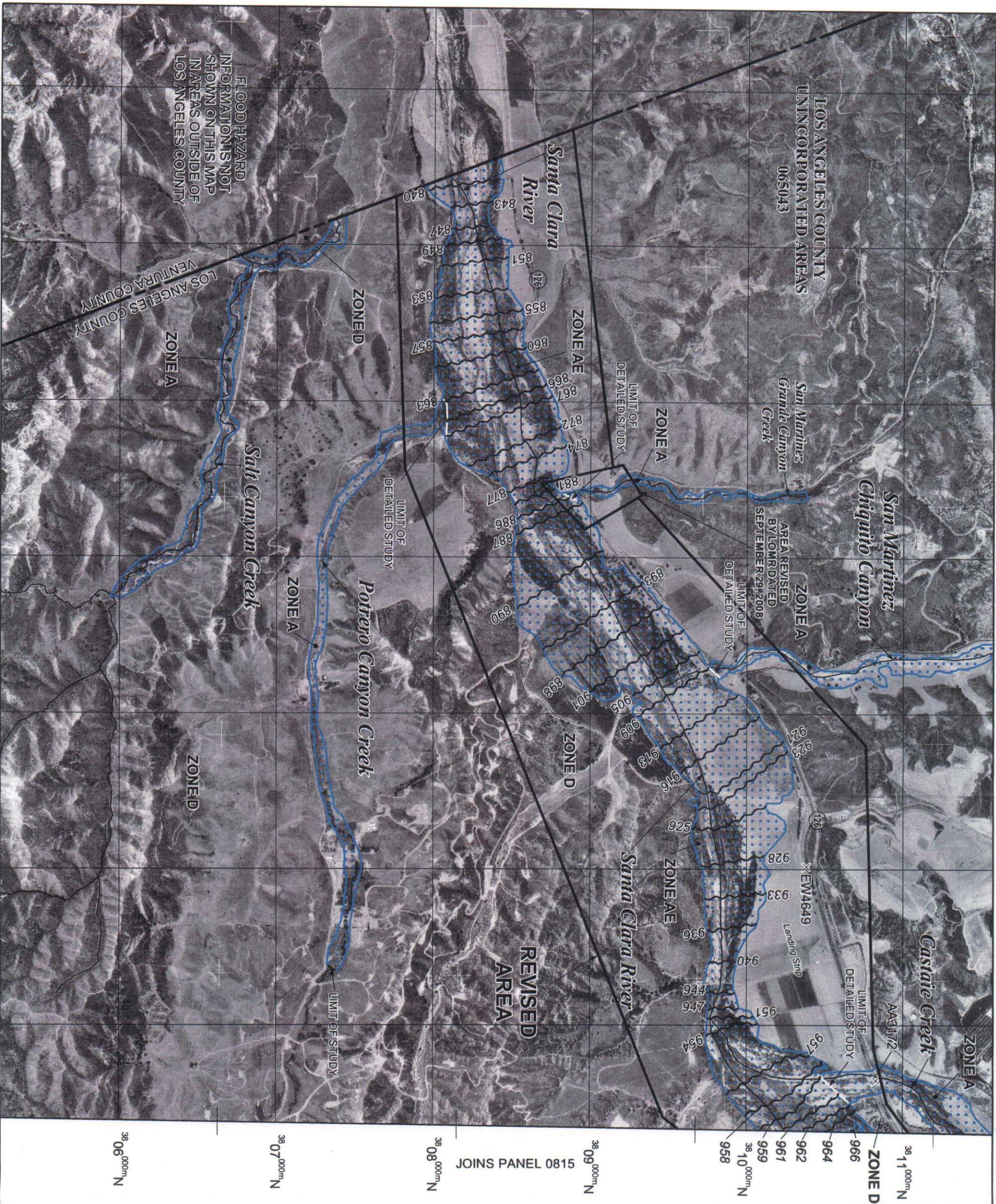
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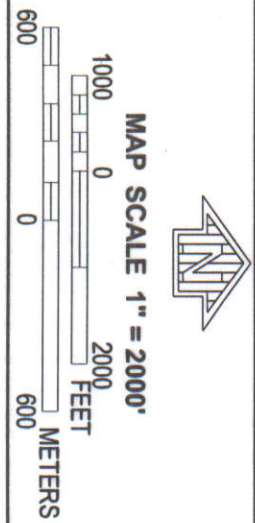
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- Legend**
- 1% annual chance (100-Year) Floodplain
 - 1% annual chance (100-Year) Floodway
 - 0.2% annual chance (500-Year) Floodplain



NFIP
PANEL 0800F

FIRM
FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND INCORPORATED AREAS

PANEL 800 OF 2350
(SEE MAP INDEX FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT)
CONTAINS:
COMMUNITY NUMBER PANEL SUFFIX
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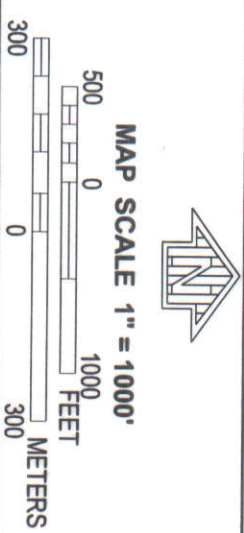
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NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM



- Legend
- 1% annual chance (100-Year) Floodplain
 - 1% annual chance (100-Year) Floodway
 - 0.2% annual chance (500-Year) Floodplain



NFIP

PANEL 0815F

FIRM

FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

AND INCORPORATED AREAS

PANEL 815 OF 2350

(SEE MAP INDEX FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT)

CONTAINS:

COMMUNITY NUMBER PANEL SUFFIX

LOS ANGELES COUNTY 085043 0815 F

SANTA CLARA CITY OF 080726 0815 F

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Notice to User: The Map Number shown below should be used when placing map orders; the Community Number shown above should be used on insurance applications for the subject community.

MAP NUMBER 06037C0815F

EFFECTIVE DATE SEPTEMBER 26, 2008

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